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SUBJECT: KIEV PROPERTIES AND ISSUES

1. SUMMARY: KAP REPS DISCUSSED FLORENTSIYA LEASE PROPOSAL WITH
UPKK CHIEF SACHENKO. HE ASSURED SOVS WOULD GIVE PROPOSAL CAREFUL
STUDY, BUT DOUBTED QUICK RESPONSE. SHIPMENT OF FLORENTSIYA
FINISHING MATERIALS CONTINUES TO BE POSTPONED. NO WORK APPARENTLY
DONE AT GORKIY THIS WEEK. STRELETSKAYA OCCUPANTS CONTINUE TO
LEAVE, WITH JAN 1 VACANCY DATE BECOMING MORE FEASIBLE.
SECRETARY/TRANSLATOR HIRED, AND WILL BEGIN JAN. 6. NO ACTION
ON TELEX OR TRAVEL NOTES.

2. FLORENTSIYA: SACHENKO RECEIVED PORTER AND WHITE FOR PRESENTATION
OF PROPOSALS ALONG THE LINES OF US DRAFT LEASE ON DEC 13.
SACHENKO TOOK COMPLETE NOTES, REVIEWED SEVERAL TIMES US
UNWILLINGNESS TO SIGN LEASE WITH EITHER UPKK-WORKERS CLAUSE OR
ESCALATING-PRICE CLAUSE, AND AGREED TO TAKE UP LEASE PROPOSALS
WITH THE RELEVANT AUTHORITIES. ON DEC 15, RESPONDING TO KAP
REQUEST FOR QUICK CONSIDERATION, SACHENKO SAID HE DOUBTED HE
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WOULD HAVE A REPLY BEFORE PORTER'S DEPARTURE ON LEAVE DEC 17,
BUT NOTED THAT SUBJECT WAS BEING DISCUSSED CURRENTLY.

3. COMMENT: SACHENKO'S READINESS TO DISCUSS FLORENTSIYA
LEASE REPRESENTS MOVEMENT ON ISSUE AND IMPLIES PROSPECTIVE
SOV WILLINGNESS TO NEGOTIATE. END COMMENT.

4. FYI: SHIPMENT OF FINISHING MATERIALS FROM LONDON WILL, FROM DEC 17 BE ADDITIONALLY DELAYED FOR EACH DAY THAT LEASE CONTINUES TO GO UNSIGNED WITH RESULTING POSTPONEMENT OF FINISHING WORK, AND ACCUPANCY OF APTS. END FYI.

5. ACTION REQUESTED: DEPT PLEASE PROVIDE AUTHORIZATION TO SIGN FLORENTSIYA LEASE ASAP.

6. GORKIY: WHITE JID MILLS VISITED GORKIY SITE DEC. 77. FRONT DOOR WAS PADLOCKED, AND IT WAS EVIDENT FROM THE REAR OF THE BUILDING THAT NO WORK HAS BEEN DONE SINCE APPROXIMATELY DEC 3. THIS MAY BE ATTRIBUTABLE TO FAILURE CITY TO OPEN NEW SUBWAY SECTION ON DEC 5, AND CONCENTRATION OF ALL AVAILABLE WORKERS ON THAT PROJECT. SOVS MAY ALSO FEEL LITTLE PRESSURE TO HURRY WORK AT GORKIY AS THEY MAINTAIN RECONSTRUCTION NOT POSSIBLE WITHOUT AGREEMENT ON PLANS.

7. STRELETSKAYA: MOVING TRUCK WAS OBSERVED AT THE REAR OF THE BUILDING 16 ON DEC 17. BUILDING 12 NOW APPEARS VIRTUALLY EMPTY, AND BUILDINGS 14 AND 16 MORE THAN 50 PERCENT VACATED. UPKK "INSPECTOR" HAS BEEN CLOSELY SUPERVISING RELOCATIONS ALL WEEK, AND SACHENKO STATED DEC 13 THAT 53 FAMILIES HAD BEEN MOVED BY THAT DATE, WITH 86 MORE HAVING RECEIVED NEW APARTMENT "ORDERS."

8. LOCAL EMPLOYEES: WHITE INTERVIEWED AND HIRED SECRETARY/ TRANSLATOR EMILYA VLADIMIROVNA TERLETSKAYA ON DEC 15. SHE WILL BEGIN WORKING FOR KAP ON JANUARY 6. ADDITIONAL ASSURANCES OF IMMINENT CHAUFFEUR CANDIDATE MADE BY UPKK PERSONNEL CHIEF, LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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BUT NOTHING FIRM HAS YET MATERIALIZED.

9. TELEX: NO NEW INFORMATION.

10. TRAVEL NOTES: NO NEW INFORMATION.

11. GSO: APPRECIATE DEPT'S ADVICE ON GSO CANDIDATE AND TENTATIVE ETA POST.
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